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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	72017	Agenda Number	17.
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Meeting Date:	6/22/2017	Department:	Budget Office
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Subject

Approve an ordinance accepting grant funds from the Texas Department of Public Safety, and amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20160914-001) in the amount of \$1,547,397 for the following departments: Austin Energy, Austin Resource Recovery, Aviation, Management Services, Parks and Recreation, and Watershed Protection for repairs to City facilities and replacement of City property damaged or destroyed by the flooding of May and October 2015; and amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20160914-002) to transfer in and appropriate \$1,237,994 for Austin Resource Recovery and Austin Water for repairs to City facilities and replacement of City property damaged or destroyed by the flooding of May and October 2015.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,785,391 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency via the Texas Department of Public Safety. A City match of 25% is required and available in various department Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	<p>June 26, 2014 Item # 21 – Council approved bundles 1, 4, 5, and 6 of grant funding. August 28, 2014 Item # 27 – Council approved bundles 7 and 8 of grant funding. March 12, 2015 Item # 5 – Council approved bundles 9, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 of grant funding. October 6, 2016 Item # 16 - Council approved individual grant awards.</p>
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Additional Backup Information

Over a 12-month period ending August 14, 2016, the City of Austin (City) had its wettest 12-month period on record (67.86 inches at Bergstrom Airport). May 2015 was the third wettest month ever recorded for the City, culminating in several creeks rising over their banks on Memorial Day weekend. On May 29, 2015, the President of the United States issued a declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA-4223-DR) for severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, and flooding, which began on May 4, 2015. On June 5, 2015, this declaration was amended to include Travis County for Individual Assistance. Public Assistance was added June 9, 2015. The City was included in the Travis County amendment and was eligible to receive Individual Assistance, Public Assistance, and Small Business Assistance.

The 2015 Halloween Flood was a Presidentially Declared Disaster affecting the City and Travis County that began during the pre-dawn hours of October 30, 2015. Unlike the 2013 Halloween Flood, which resulted from rain falling west of the City and travelling down the watershed, the 2015 Halloween Flood resulted from rainfall that fell directly on the City, creating spontaneous and unpredictably hazardous conditions. The resulting response led to a full activation of the Austin/Travis County Emergency Operations Center, Shelter, a Flood Assistance Center, and a Volunteer Resource Center. The City and Travis County submitted a Disaster Declaration on October 30, 2015. President Barack Obama approved Federal flood assistance for Austin-area residents and businesses on November 25, 2015.

Public Assistance enabled the City to work with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to obtain funding to bring City-owned and maintained facilities and infrastructure back to pre-disaster conditions. The funds flow to the City through the Texas Department of Public Safety. The Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) has coordinated the gathering and submittal of debris removal, emergency protective measures, and infrastructure projects.

This budget amendment is the fifth to appropriate grant funds from FEMA. Council will be presented with additional appropriation requests in the future once FEMA has approved the projects and determined funding estimates accordingly.

The table below provides an overview of the various projects, FEMA reimbursement, and City match requirement.

Department	Operating / Capital	Project	FEMA Reimbursement	City Match	Total Project Value
Austin Energy	Operating	Electric Power Service Territory Damages	\$517,735	\$172,579	\$690,314
Austin Resource Recovery	Operating	City Wide Debris Removal Phase 1	\$64,305	\$11,348	\$75,653
Austin Resource Recovery	Operating	City Wide Debris Removal Phase 2	\$143,631	\$35,908	\$179,539
Austin Resource Recovery	Capital	FM 812 Gabion Repairs	\$31,152	\$10,383	\$41,535
Austin Resource Recovery	Capital	Landfill	\$979,863	\$326,621	\$1,306,484
Austin Resource Recovery	Operating	Landfill	\$24,730	\$8,243	\$32,973
Austin Water	Capital	SAR WWTP Outfall Erosion	\$17,844	\$5,948	\$23,792
Austin Water	Capital	Springfield Lift Station Repair	\$16,500	\$5,500	\$22,000

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Austin Water	Capital	T. Farms Lift Station	\$116,229	\$38,742	\$154,971
Austin Water	Capital	T. Farms Pump & Haul	\$76,406	\$25,468	\$101,874
Aviation	Operating	ABIA Chainlink Fencing Damage	\$37,245	\$12,415	\$49,660
Aviation	Operating	ABIA Elevator # 2 Repair	\$7,983	\$2,662	\$10,645
Management Services	Operating	HSEM DAC	\$2,885	\$961	\$3,846
Management Services	Operating	HSEM DAC Phase 2	\$245	\$61	\$306
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Barton Springs	\$23,244	\$7,747	\$30,991
Parks and Recreation	Operating	City Wide Debris Removal Phase 1	\$3,701	\$652	\$4,353
Parks and Recreation	Operating	COA Hiking/Biking Trail Repairs	\$225,388	\$75,129	\$300,517
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Dougherty Arts Center Facility	\$8,088	\$2,696	\$10,784
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Elisabet Ney Museum	\$6,995	\$2,331	\$9,326
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Lady Bird Lake Trail	\$130,232	\$43,411	\$173,643
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Repave Parking Lot Dougherty Arts Center	\$35,109	\$11,703	\$46,812
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Roy G Guerrero Pedestrian Bridge	\$8,283	\$2,761	\$11,044
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Umlauf Sculpture Garden	\$65,690	\$21,896	\$87,586
Parks and Recreation	Operating	Walnut Creek Trail	\$52,914	\$17,637	\$70,551
Watershed Protection	Operating	Retention Ponds Repairs	\$188,994	\$62,998	\$251,992
Total			\$2,785,391	\$905,800	\$3,691,191